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HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 21, 1892.

## TELEGRAMS.

## FRANCE.

LONDON, December 6th.

Mons. Ribot has formed a Cabinet. He combines the premiership and the portfolio for foreign affairs.

## AFRICA.

It is stated that a company is being formed, with the Duke of Abercorn as President and Mr. Cecil Rhodes as Manager, with the object of constructing a telegraph line from Zambesi to Wady Halfa.

December 7th.

Zambesi telegraph confirmed.

## BURMAH AND CHINA.

The first decennial tribute mission from Burma to China will probably leave Mandalay for Peking during the winter of 1893, in accordance with the treaty of Peking.

## THE MONETARY CONFERENCE.

Rothschild has announced that he withdraws his proposals, the American delegates refusing their support.

## THE MONETARY CONGRESS.

December 8th.

Mr. Hill has introduced a Bill into the Senate to repeal the Sherman Silver Purchase Act. The report of the Secretary to the Treasury on the Sherman Act is not satisfactory. The depreciation of the silver in the treasury embarrasses the Government.

## THE MISSION TO UGANDA.

December 10th.

Mr. Gerald Portal, C.B., Her Majesty's Consul General at Zanzibar, has been appointed special commissioner to Uganda, and will be escorted by several British officers and five hundred trained soldiers belonging to H. H. the Sultan of Zanzibar.

## THE MONETARY CONFERENCE.

The delegates to the International Monetary Conference are about to discuss a general bimetallic scheme.

## THE HOME RULE BILL.

December 20th.

The Cabinet is discussing the draft of the Irish Home Rule Bill.

## THE NEW ORIENTAL BANK.

The Court of Queen's Bench has dismissed the petition for the compulsory winding up of the New Oriental Bank.

## TYPHOON WARNING.

We are indebted to the courtesy of Señor Don Ortiz, the Spanish Consul at this port, for the following telegram:—

MANTILA, December 21st.

Very strong gales in China Sea.

## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The Hon. W. M. Goodman and Mrs. Goodman arrived by the *Vivona* from England last night.

The Canadian Pacific Steamship Co.'s timetable, revised No. 7, has been published, superseding No. 6.

The Canadian Pacific Railway Co.'s Royal mail steamer *Empress of India*, from Hongkong 30th November, arrived at Vancouver yesterday at 3 p.m.

The British barquentine *Vagabond* is to be sold by auction on Wednesday the 21st instant, (to-day) by Messrs. McAllister and Company, at Singapore.

Commr. Goodrich left for England via San Francisco to-day in the *Galle*, whose passenger list includes a Remington, a Martini, and a Brumagel.

Mr. H. N. Mody, accompanied by Mr. de Boyis, chief manager of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, left here this afternoon for Hongkong, via Halphong, by the M. M. Co.'s steamer *Halphong*.

We regret to hear of the death of Mr. Thomas Cameron, late of Shanghai, who died suddenly of heart disease on Sunday 1st, aged 36 years.

The funeral, which was largely attended by the deceased's friends, took place at Happy Valley this afternoon.

In the Penang Supreme Court on the 10th inst. the appeal of Kim Sen, supervisor of the steamer *Nampong*, against the magistrate's conviction for extensive opium smuggling on September 21st, was successful, and the conviction quashed.

OUR Chief Justice is evidently as keen on sport as he is on punctuality in "the Court" and regard for the letter of the law. The other day he made a bag up North and to-day he set out to break the record at Swatow, on the good steamer *Haitan*.

BRICKS are extensively manufactured in Japan for local consumption, but a small quantity has been exported as a venture to Vancouver, and should the demand justify further exportations, Japanese bricks could be shipped to British Columbia as ballast at nominal rates.

THE China and Manila Co.'s famous Manila liner *Zaire* sailed for the capital of the Philippines this afternoon under command of Captain J. C. Gerard, lately the popular skipper of the *Diamante*, vice Captain A. W. R. Cobbin, who stops ashore, on well earned leave, for a few days.

THE steamer *Avon*, Capt. Rowin, arrived from Hongkong last night with a cargo of about 1,200 tons of lump coal—the best cargo that has yet arrived from the Hongkong mines. Reports of most favorable character regarding this coal have reached us, which we hold over until the coal has been put to the test.

FOR a few weeks the Hongkong sanitarium and orphan home, the "Bay View Hotel," has been dreary and desolate in the absence of the smiling countenance of Uncle Osborne, the popular proprietor, who has been laid up. He is now once more to be seen daily dispensing the honours, supplying the best of drinks at market prices.

THE Italian Convent bazaar, recently held, was most successful this year. The Lady Superiors and Sisters have asked us to thank the public, on their behalf, most cordially for the warm support which, in spite of the general financial depression, has been accorded to the Convent, in the cause of charity which it so ably and wisely follows. The calls on the Convent's benevolent resources are more numerous and urgent now than they ever have been, and help is constantly required.

At the meeting of the Sanitary Board to be held to-morrow at 4 p.m., the orders of the day, are:—*Agenda*.—1. Letter from the Honourable Colonial Secretary concerning the abatement of a nuisance arising from trade operations. 2. Mortality Returns for the weeks ended the 10th and 17th December, 1892. 3. Analyst's report on samples of water drawn from the Taitam and Pok-lam conduits and mains in November 1892. 4. Applications for the vacant post of Inspector of Nuisances. 5. Village scavenging contracts.

THE Singapore *Free Press* of the 12th inst. says:—Several sharks have lately been seen sporting round H. M. S. *Mercury*, and on Saturday several more or less successful attempts were made to hook the omnivorous "finless." The first bite was secured shortly after ten o'clock, and this proved to be a monster, but on hauling him up his weight was too great for the hook, and he died, not being used to luxuries, into his native element, preferring to sacrifice half his jaw rather than face a squad of marines on killing bent. A second attempt was more successful and resulted in a fine specimen being landed, which has now been sent to the museum. A large oil can in a good state of preservation was found in the animal's interior.

## TO-DAY'S SHIPPING RETURNS.

Inward.

*Vivona* ..... steamer, from Singapore.

*Avon* ..... " " Hongkong.

*Choyang* ..... " " Canton.

*Hongchow* ..... " " Canton.

*Lymoon* ..... " " Shanghai.

*Michael Jahan* ..... " " Saigon.

*Formosa* ..... " " Swatow.

*Rio* ..... " " Wuhu.

Aggregating 8,856 tons, register.

## Outward.

*Haitan* ..... steamer, for Swatow.

*Yokohama* ..... " " Yokohama.

*Amoy* ..... " " Amoy.

*Batavia* ..... " " Batavia.

Aggregating 7,851 tons, register.

The Sultan of Selangor in Council has increased the duty on ball opium from \$7 to \$8 a ball, to take effect from 1st January, 1893.

## MAILS Due:—

Indian (*A. Agar*) 21st instant.

German (*Boyer*) 22nd " "

Australian (*Hemmer*) 23rd " "

Bombay (*Thibet*) 27th " "

American (*C. of Peking*) 28th " "

Bombay (*Bormida*) 31st proximo.

## THE STEAMSHIP SINGAPORE.

The steamer *Singapore*, states the *Singapore Free Press*, was purchased by the Chop Guan Watt Seng, local agents Messrs. Mah Wah & Co., on the 10th ultimo, from the executors of the late Tan Kim Ching, for \$45,000.

The buyers have accepted the mortgage of \$50,000 which is at present on the vessel, and thus she has fetched but \$5,000 less than the *Star*, a vessel which, besides being superior as regards carrying capacity, is 200 tons larger in measurement.

## HONGKONG HIGH LEVEL TRAMWAY CO., LIMITED.

The eighth ordinary annual general meeting of shareholders in this Company was held to-day.

Mr. H. Humphreys presided, and there were also present Messrs. C. E. Ewing, G. Fenwick (consulting engineer), J. Macdonald, G. Murray Elin, I. A. Jupp, and Hart Buck (secretary).

The Chairman said:—Gentlemen, the report and accounts have been in your hands for some days, so with your permission we will take them as read. It has been the custom in dealing with these accounts in the past for all additions to permanent-way as well as the cost of new rolling-stock to be charged to "Permanent-way and Rolling-stock account." Thus from 1888-9 this account was increased by \$8,453.37 from \$89,990.85 to \$98,444.22.

During the year under review the course policy has been adopted and the increase of \$8,453.37 to permanent-way and rolling-stock account for the past year represents practically the cost of one new rope and two new cars. We propose in future to re-arrange the assets so as to keep all the rolling-stock under one account and avoid adding to "permanent-way." The stock-in-hand account has already been largely made up of rolling-stock not actually in use and the inclusion of rolling-stock under permanent-way account renders it impossible to keep the permanent-way at a fixed amount. Unless of course we should be charged to maintenance and repairs, and a substantial amount would be written off every year from rolling-stock before paying a dividend. We propose, therefore, in place of the three following accounts, viz:—(1) Permanent-way and Rolling-stock; (2) Concession and Deed of grant; (3) Stock in hand; to substitute:—(1) Permanent-way, Concession and Deed of Grant; (2) Rolling-stock; (3) Coal and stores in hand. We have been in some doubt this time as to the advisability of paying a dividend as no allowance has been made for depreciation of rolling-stock, and in regard to the wishes of the majority of the Consulting Committee and others who are interested in the Company we have decided that to write off \$32,423 from suspense is sufficient for one year—and to give the shareholders the benefit of a small dividend which we trust will be none the less acceptable because it has been long deferred. I may say that we have been induced in this decision by the fact that the low exchange has increased the dollar value of our rolling-stock, which increased value may be taken as a set-off against depreciation for the past year. We trust in future to be able to pay off a portion of the Debentures of the Company each year out of profits, and any sum thus paid off would go to reserve fund, which fund, by the time the Debenture were paid off in full, would reach the respectable sum of \$30,000. Before moving the adoption of the report and accounts I shall be pleased to answer any question from shareholders.

Mr. Bain, in seconding the motion to adopt the report and accounts, asked if there was any information respecting (1) taxation of the Company's property; (2) Government tests applied to the cables.

Considerable discussion ensued, in the course of which it was stated that the Government had been induced to considerably lessen the tests, and though the taxes could not be reduced, a "small subsidy" of \$72 per annum had been granted.

Mr. Fenwick said he thought the testing not too severe—10 tons—in view of the fact that the carefully loaded might weigh 20 tons. He did not think the tests injured the cable at all.

Mr. Ewing said that the taxes were reduced last year to take effect this year, from \$1,000 to \$400 or \$500.

The report and accounts were passed unanimously.

On the motion of Mr. Bain, seconded by Mr. Macdonald, the consulting committee (Messrs. Ewing, Orange, and Fenwick) were re-elected.

On the motion of Mr. Jupp, seconded by Mr. Macdonald, the auditor (Mr. R. Lyall) was re-elected.

The proceedings then terminated.

## THE ALLEGED PEARL ROBBERY.

## ARRIVAL OF THE ACCUSED.

Last night Detective Sergeant John Green arrived here by the English mail steamer *Vivona* from Mauritius, with Luigi Dolla, alias Luigi Dellaglio, alias Luis Dolla, who is supposed to have departed these shores about a year ago with a parcel of pearls, the property of Dr. von Fretz, a physician, and the remains of a highly intelligent Post Office official.

The prisoner made his bow before Mr. H. E. Woodhouse this morning and pleaded not guilty to the charge.

"For that the said Luigi Dolla, alias Luigi Dellaglio, alias Luis Dolla, on or about the 13th day of February, 1892, at Victoria in this colony, feloniously, with intent to defraud, did by virtue of a certain forged instrument cause to be delivered to himself divers pearls, sapphires and turquoise, in all of the value of about eighteen hundred and ninety dollars, then well knowing the said instrument to be forged."

John Green, P. S. No. 70, applied for a remand for one week.

The accused asked no questions and the case was remanded till Tuesday, the 27th, at 10 a.m.

## THE FIRE-FLEND ABROAD.

## THE RECENT FLARE-UP.

At the Magistrate's this morning Mr. H. E. Woodhouse brought his searching inquiry into the circumstances connected with the recent conflagration in Queen's Road West to a close and gave directions to the Police to release the premises, which were covered by Messrs. Kruse & Co. for \$4,500. The iron safe seized on the premises was broken open in Court to-day and found to contain \$200 in cash instead of \$500, as alleged by the master of the shop in which the fire originated.

## YESTERDAY'S FIRES.

As usual at this season of the year the Fire Brigade has to turn out pretty often, and it is as

likely as not that in view of the fact that the Chinese are just now "chün-chün-jing" for all they are worth owing to it being Chinese Christmas Day (i.e. the Festival of the Winter Solstice) the battle-axe and hose-men will be on the war-path again some time to-night, or to-morrow.

"Stirring-up" there were two yesterday—one at British Kowloon and the other in China town.

At Kowloon one of the wooden huts used by "Our Own" was burned to the ground in a twinkling (cause not known), causing but little real damage and absolutely no anxiety to local insurance offices.

The "blaze" in China town—at No. 14 Jubilee Street—was of more moment. It was first noticed at 9.30 p.m., when flames were issuing from the windows of the top story, occupied by a Chinese family. The fire brigade could muster at the spot the hose was fastened on to the fire, and the men under Messrs. Woodhouse, Kinghorn and Mathieson there can be no doubt that a very extensive conflagration would have had to be wrestled with. An abundant supply of water was, however, at hand and being well directed extinguished the fire in about half an hour. Just before the fire got a thorough hold of the building Inspectors Quincey and Mathieson with our reporter at their heels, dashed into a whence flames were provisionally shown on the ground floor, being fiercely through an iron grating. Here was found a pile of wood ablaze and six Chinamen crouched in a corner at the upper end of the store. They were promptly asked why they didn't attempt to put out the fire, and replied "the place is insured so we don't care to interfere." They didn't get a chance to make any more foolish remarks, but had at once to make room for those who were able and willing to do their level best in the interests of all concerned.

In a moment or two Mathieson and Quincey showed the burning timbers through a window into the courtyard behind, the former burning one of his hands rather badly while so engaged, and with a few buckets of water saved the contents of the ground floor from what would soon have been complete destruction.

The store in question is fully insured with Messrs. Kruse & Co. for \$3,000.

The two upper floors were completely gutted, and the roof fell in, but the adjoining houses were damaged only by water, thanks to the efforts of the Brigade.

## CORRESPONDENCE.

(We do not necessarily endorse the opinions expressed by Correspondents in this column.)

## THE VOLUNTEERS.

To the Editor of the "Hongkong Telegraph."

SIR,—Many in Hongkong no doubt are like myself in having no great objection to joining the Volunteer force, but very strongly resent being coerced into it by threats of increased military contributions. Personally I am more in favour of raising a force to defend the Colony from external attack.

Yours,

## AN EMPLOYEE.

Hongkong, 20th December, 1892.

[Good suggestion; but we must wait till we know, on some better authority than Francis, what is to be done. They will surely know better than try.—Ed H.K.T.]

## "BARON DE HORN."

A correspondent in Zurich (which, we believe, is somewhere in Europe) has been good enough to send us a copy of the *Schwarzwälder-Bote* containing an article headed "Der Baron aus Indien," referring to that arch-fraud Baron de Horn von der Horck. Our correspondent asks us to reproduce the article as a warning to the public against the man, whom he describes as a rogue and impostor. Unfortunately, however, the article is in German—even the type is German, and we need you again to look at it. Our German translator is in a great hurry now, and as we must tackle the language ourselves, but refuse to be held responsible for the linguistic effort. It is an awful language.

As far as we can make out the article is to the following effect:—"Under date Stuttgart 7th November a correspondent writes:—Last year there was living here a foreigner who called himself Baron de Horn von der Horck, and who attracted universal attention by his flashy style of living. He was supposed to be very wealthy, and used to promenade all over the place in carriages with two, three or four horses, and outriders or postillions, and two brown-livered footmen at his back. At first he had also a Hindu servant, in turban and robes, and black as the *Thufi*. [Don't know what this means, and can't find it in the dictionary.—Translator, H.K.T.] In spite of all this gorgeous display, or perhaps even because of it, nobody would associate with the Herr Baron, nor take him into the Club. He tried to make capital out of his scientific knowledge by presenting to the local *Geographisch-Verein* a collection of ethnographic curios from Java; but it was too little. The more Society held him off, the more determined were his efforts to push himself forward. He had a heavily jewelled cane which he always sported at theatres and concerts. To him once the porter of the Theatre thereupon a remark made, that it not the correct thing was, the *edelsteingeschnittenen* stick in the building to take. Replied the Baron so loud that all bystanders it to hear were able. "The stick gives I not up. It is a present from the Doll Lama, and has a value of at least 40,000 marks." Donner- und Blitzen! The hall-porter was naturally over-awed and allowed the stick to pass in. One can on this stick hitched a beautiful story *quod*—don't know what "quod" means.—Translator.—and to a fabulous value attributed. To the actors and actresses in the principal theatre and so on moreover Baron de Horn the stick showed, and gave them many presents—rings, bracelets, and pins, set with Indian moonstones, and wrote them gold little *Widmungsbogen* on black paper with gold ink. To the Countess Blumark said himself Baron Horn for some years in Kissingen to be neighbour, but he never got nearer than that the Count looked his pony-carriage at. Now is the Herr Baron already since several months gone and *verschunden*. (This seems to mean the "Vanishing Act," as near as one can tell.—Translator.) That he is not without leaving behind-of-debts scouted, good as spoken, that his carriage and ponies now by auction sold will be, and that it will well not much more long last, but we shall the caravan for a milk or beer cart changed see. *Sie sprach: Gloria mundi!* And the "Herr Baron?" Whether he "pops" a name-worthy estate ever possessed has? Anyhow he now nothing more has, and the report is that he has gone back to the Indies, leaving crowds of lamenting creditors. Perhaps he has gone to raise another jewelled stick! [Note:—While apologising for any defects in the style of this translation, we are satisfied that the general sense of the *Schwarzwälder-Bote* is here accurately expressed. We know men of this sort do exist, for we have seen them in Hongkong not long ago. His enemies were, on a small scale, exactly like those of our old friend Baron de Horn von der Horck.—Ed; H.K.T. Telegraph.]

## PARACHUTE PERFORMANCE AT MACAO.

## "MEXICAN BILL" SUCCESSFUL AT LAST.

After many trials and disappointments, the worst of luck and the most wearisome labour, Leo Hernandez, alias Mexican Bill, betook himself to Macao and on Monday scored a brilliant success such as he deserved.

The day was perfectly calm, bright and clear—an ideal day for parachute exercise. The balloon was filled in the Cemetery, near the Camoens Gardens; not at all a suitable place, but as good as could be got. The Macao people were all anxious to see, but doubtful about paying; so, though the "Almighty Dollar" did not roll in very heavily he saw him and admired his pluck. Admiration is just the sort of thing to keep a man warm in this weather—oh yes!

The balloon was filled easily in about half an hour, and the aeronaut sailed skywards without any trouble. After going up about 1,500 feet (he says 7,000, but that is rather high) he let go, and came gently down with his parachute into Bishop's Bay, about half a mile from land. The Governor's launch picked him up, with all his gear, and he was found to be none the worse for his wetting. The Macaenses are delighted with the performance, and insist on an encore, which will probably come off next Sunday, weather permitting.

## PASSENGERS BOOKED FOR CHINA.

Per P. and O. steamer *Miraflores*, from London, Nov. 17.—To Hongkong: Mr. and Mrs. G. Edwards.

Per P. and O. steamer *Australia*, from London, Nov. 25.—To Shanghai: Mr. C. S. Champness, Mr. G. P. Dempsey, Mr. W. A. Tatchell, Mr. D. E. White, Miss W. Arpland, Miss L. Davidson, Miss B. Gray, Miss C. Williams, Miss V. Hammer, To Hongkong: two Misses May, Mrs. Peel, Mr. N. Peel, Mrs. T. (7) Mitchell Jones, Mr. Brown, Mr. Wilson, From Hongkong, Dec. 4.—To Hongkong: Mrs. F. Henderson.

Per P. and O. steamer *Parymatia*, from London, December 8th.—To Hongkong: Miss Morgan, Miss M. Berger.

Per P. and O. steamer *Britannia*, from London, December 23rd.—To Hongkong: Mr. H. Coombe, Mr. J. A. Coombe.

Per P. and O. steamer *H*



cultivation. Hardly ever a tree breaks the monotony of the scene; the intervals between the hills are rather desolate than valleys, except where a stream by its windings cuts for itself a wider passage. As one advances northward the hills part on a more sandy appearance. I think the best part of them is in the neighbourhood of Yunnanfu. These contained once a fair complement of inhabitants, but the great famine of 1877 joined to the wars of extermination carried on by the Mohammedans and long-ruled rebels has not left one in ten families. You may go 50 or 60 miles and not meet a soul, remarked to me a dweller on the spot. Passing Yunnanfu the valley widens slightly and being well watered is turned into kitchen gardens, reminding one by their productivity of more southern regions, but before reaching Yunnanfu there is a long woody defile which would have an interest for lovers of Bass and Allotop, for the wild hop grows nearly as fine in appearance as the cultivated plant in Europe. This defile is called Wild Boar Pass from the presence of these animals. This spot will remain memorable in the locality as the scene last year of a pitched battle on a small scale between the militia-called brigands and the soldiers of Yunnanfu. It seems the mandarin of contracted debts in his province of Shantung. He left the province without paying, but his creditors were not to be outdone and they determined to waylay him on the road to his destination. Thirty individuals undertook the task and chose this retired road to carry out their plan, but the ubiquitous *Shan-shan* (the robber) viewed the unusual preparation with suspicion and reported his surmises to the authorities of Yunnanfu. After a preliminary reconnaissance, and perhaps a parley, soldiers were sent down to capture or dislodge the intruders. The first arrival of soldiers had the imprudence to advance right into the defile and were being well peppered from the heights, but might not have got out of their said plight had not the cavalry and European-drilled troops come to their aid, taking the enemy in rear. One of these was killed in the strife and one afterwards executed. Seventeen of the soldiers had gun and sword wounds. A military post now commands the pass, and the traveller is challenged on his way through.

Along the road northward ruined stone villages surrounded by mud walls mark where human life once flourished. Only yesterday the wave of civil war might have swept over the country, so unchanged are all things from that disastrous day till now. A remnant of population among the ruins administers to the wants of the traveller. Everywhere abandoned caverns (for houses are almost unknown here) tell of past and present famine, still the more one goes north one finds the necessity to cling with more pertinacity to their fields in the hope of better days or perhaps in despair of ameliorating their condition elsewhere. It is the state of affairs that is deplorable at the present moment. The famine in most of the districts is an affair of two years, in some it has been a lingering affair of years, which at last arrived at an acute state, so much so that land now goes for 400 cash that once fetched 10,000. In the districts of Shantung and Chachow not even the seed of the summer crop was sown, and the autumn crop promised only a tenth of an ordinary produce if it can get ahead of the frost. In other districts a third of an ordinary crop may be collected, or better at all events than last year, but still the condition of things is worse. The families that had a reserve last year have exhausted their store—the public granaries have been exhausted, and the mandarin have doled out their scanty resources. How inadequate are those resources may be gathered from the fact that in one distribution the people at Chachow received, if we can believe reports, not even twenty cash a family, and in a second distribution a gallon or two of millet according to their better or worse condition. No wonder that many deaths occurred in that district. The people are feeding now on what-ever the land produces at the moment—melons and beans—wild roots when they have nothing better, which accounts for the unhealthy colour of the faces one meets everywhere. Melons in other years are reserved for sale, but this year the demand for any sort of food exceeds the supply. Soon the diminished millet crop, where the harvest has been better than elsewhere, will have to do for the more fortunate families, the inevitable hour of empty larders. During the summer we heard of the roads of flight marked by corpses and the swollen bodies of the victims, of the cries of starving children and the despair of parents of sold or abandoned wives and offspring, and we were visited by succeeding bands of famished people. Within a few months the same scenes will be repeated on a much larger scale—until the summer crop is gathered in, unless relief comes from some quarters. The worst of this place is that it is one of touch with the rest of the world. However, I could undertake to receive within a fortnight in Yelling Fu any donation paid into a Shanghai bank, say the Bank of China, towards a "North Shensi Famine Relief Fund."

HUO,  
Pro-Vicar of N. Shensi.

#### NOTES FROM CHINESE PAPERS.

The City magistrate left Shanghai on Monday for Soochow, where he goes to see the Governor on important business.

At the military examination at Canton this year several accidents took place. A short time ago a spectator was shot in the eye and died from the wound.

H.E. Chang Chih-tung visited the Hanyang Iron Foundry on the 15th inst. and made a minute survey of the immense works. On returning to the Wuchang side of the river his Excellency also visited the Cotton Mill, which not having been equipped with all the machinery showed itself at a disadvantage.

One of the carpenters who was the leader of the strike at the building of the palaces in the Imperial city was caught at his hiding place in a house of ill-fame. The culprit was handed over the Board of Punishments. The other leader of the strike named Du, after hearing the news of the capture of his comrade, made his escape.

An Imperial edict has appeared confirming the sentence which the Nanking Viceroy had passed upon the ex-magistrate Yang, formerly administrator of Liling Hien. It will be remembered that magistrate Yang was brought up for trial for having by undue punishment caused the death of several parties. The punishment fixed is banishment to the Amor region.

Accounts have reached us from Koyao Hien stating that the disaster in connection with the fire in the theatre there was more serious than first reported. The deaths from the fire in the house of amusement number up to a thousand. The work of interring the remains of the unfortunate spectators has commenced, and hundreds of coffins are now being shipped there from other places by boats in tow of steam launchers, the local stock having been exhausted.

A force of men dispatched by Admiral Cheng of Kwangtung, recently made a raid upon the

pirates' camps in the recesses of the Tsu-an-shan near Canton, and were successful in capturing seventeen of these brigands, who were decapitated after a short trial. The pirates have held this *shan* for years as their place of rendezvous, but owing to the nature of the position where the camps were the officers of the law have only been able to obtain access to their quarters now for the first time.

The pirates off the coast of Tachow are again active, and several cases of piracy have been reported. Not many days ago an attack was made upon a junk, and it was depolled with the customary dexterity. A Taoist to whom the case was reported has issued a proclamation strongly censuring the various authorities for having through their lack of vigilance permitted so many cases of piracy in their district. The responsible officials are now required to bring about the arrest of the marauders.

In a leading article upon the recent Ichang riot, the various incidents which culminated in the attack upon the Customs are recounted; the places where the riots occurred last year are referred to, and it is remarked that the outbreak at Ichang last year was by far the most destructive one of the whole series, owing to Ichang being so far in the interior. The determination of the mob to wreck and destroy the Customs building, which they knew belonged to the Government and not to the foreigners in the employ of the Government, the writer regards as being a willful intention on the part of the mob to risk the violation of the "Imperial Statute," and not as an attack upon the foreigners. The article goes on to condemn at length and in a forcible manner, the conduct of the literary man who led the mob. It says, "while it is wrong for the country people to become riotous and disorderly, the conduct of the literary man in leading them is certainly unpardonable; for the ignorant there is some excuse for such conduct, but for a man of learning to act thus is certainly not right. A literary man is supposed to be a man who understands *Tsai*, and if one fails to know what is right and wrong, how should he be classified in the category of *literati*? A man of this class is always looked up to and respected, and wields a powerful influence over the people of his community, and his words always have great weight, often rendering him a more successful peace-maker in disputes arising between members of his community, than even the officials. In commenting upon the conduct of the foreigners, it says their line of procedure was rash, for by taking into their own hands the dispersing of the mob with clubs and sticks, as they did, the rioters might be provoked to serious and irreparable harm. It is to be hoped, it remarks, that foreigners residing in China will in future always try to obtain redress for wrongs through the proper channel by applying to the authorities, so that difficulties may be more speedily settled; and it would always be consistent with wisdom for foreigners to avoid being present at large and numerous gatherings of the people.

#### HANKOW.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

December 9th.  
For some time now our port has enjoyed the felicity which is said to belong to those places which have no history, and for any news worth the pains of troubling the public with search must be made elsewhere. Fortunately, Ichang can always be relied upon to furnish a few items. It seems the *Huichang* and *Wuchang* are having a real good time off at their favorite recreation of making it lively for the foreign devils. On Sunday, ten days ago, they badly stoned one of the missionaries and his son as they were coming from service in the native city; the lad carries the marks of it yet. Next they favoured the Consulate with a visit, and made sufficient demonstration to cause the Consul to obtain a guard of braves for its protection. But the best fun was on Friday last, when they raided the Customs House, and had a free fight with the staff, on which occasion the *Shan* had to land her blue coats. Full particulars of all these matters have been doubtlessly reached Shanghai from your Ichang correspondent.

Here we are in daily expectation of hearing that the Ichang rowdies have once more made bonfires of the foreign residences. The latest news is that they are bolder than ever, coming right up to the residents' windows, and shouting in their threats to burn and slay. There seems to have been a fresh distribution of anti-foreign literature, and the latest conundrum amongst the *Huichang* is: "Which do you like some pork meat? (Chu, pig, or Christian, or Yang, goat, or foreigner). The missionaries are again requested to leave off their visits to the city, and the latest threat is to attack and destroy both Consulate and Customs House. The native authorities, being exceedingly busy with the examinations, the arrival of a new *Fu* and *Chihai*, (prefect and general, to command the local garrison), and the passing through of a son of the Viceroy of Szechuan, have had no time to attend to the rioters. They have caught none themselves, nor even had leisure to examine one of the ringleaders caught for them by the Customs people when the attack was made on the Customs House.

This fresh outbreak has surprised no one save, it is said, H. M. Cotsell, who, in spite of all that has come and gone, puts full faith in each renewed assurance of the native authorities. When the last riot was allowed to be smoothed over, without any one being called to account for it, few acquainted with the circumstances had the least doubt but there would soon be more trouble; and so long as foreign officials are persecuted in such cases, their chief duty is to have every consideration for their feelings and difficulties of the native authorities, just as long will the riots, like the poor, be always with us.

What the Chinese authorities can do, in the way of putting down riots when they have a mind to is well shown by the late Liling affair, an account of which is given in the *Peking Gazette* of October 24th. Liling is a border city in an out-of-the-way, wild, and somewhat lawless region in Hunan, but just the kind of place where it would be no wonder if lawless authority broke down occasionally. The trouble there began as a drunken dispute, culminating in a fight between the employees of a cash shop and two peripatetic sellers of earthenware rice bowls. It ended in the bowl vendors finding themselves inmates of the city goal. These were the unexplained circumstances—see *Peking Gazette*—under which the first arrests were made. Their fellow villagers were full of wrath at this and determined on attempting a rescue, so on the 3rd of September they stormed the garrison, liberated their friends, and wrecked the obnoxious cash shop. As they retired, the garrison gave chase, and claims to have killed in a fair fight and captured ten whom he immediately executed. Of the execution of a good many more than ten there is no question. When the news of the railed *yamen* reached the capitals of Hunan and Kiangsi, troops were promptly sent against the offending village from both sides of the border, but by the time they arrived the luckless villagers had taken to flight, and are now homeless vagabonds and beggars. Thus vigorously was this attempt at rioting put down, and yet we find the magistrate must be removed from his post and the Board is further requested to deprive him a penalty.

Contrast with the above the way things are managed at Ichang. There we have a great city on a river open to steam navigation, furnished with a strong native garrison and telegraphic communication. A riot breaks out and damage is done on a river with which the destruction of the Liling *yamen* was but a flea-bite. Yet no one is punished, no official is censured, and rioting is allowed to become chronic. Why this great difference? We are now getting towards the end of the tenth month, the month in which the natives and hostiles were to have all ready for one Consul's visit to Changsha, but the matter has apparently escaped their memories, for there is no word of it. The news from that city is that things are fairly quiet. The gentry and merchants subscribed for an arch to be erected in honour of ex-Governor Chang outside the Great West gate, but the new Governor, H. E. Wu, had the masons seized and put in goal on the ground that no permission had been asked for, or granted, for such an erection. On the other hand, the president of the college who figured so conspicuously at the anti-foreign and anti-Governor Wu meeting in the Lien Fei Kung received from him a gift of over Tls. 3,000, and these warm coats of fire thus heaped upon their heads have quite thawed their hearts. We had a visit the other day from one of the Changsha printers of anti-foreign literature. He says he has quite given up the business, and is in search of some other means of making his fortune. *N. C. Daily News.*

#### TIENTSIN.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

December 9th.  
The *Tungchow* is at the Bund, and as she will in all probability be the last steamer of the season to visit us, because, although the *Chungking* is wired as having left Shanghai her getting up the river it is thought to be more than doubtful, for two very good reasons—the first is that she will arrive on the 11th, and the second, we have had quite a week of very fine weather though it has been cold, and the wind hangs in the N.W. quarter. Now there is every appearance of a change, and some of the knowing ones predict a very rough time for the *Chungking* before she reaches our "Heaven-sent Barrier." They may be as far mistaken in this respect—and let us hope they are—as they have been in predicting an early close this season, the same people saying last year it was going to be a late close; of course, they are always wrong; it appears that the clerk of the weather takes a special delight in upsetting their prognostications. 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The Rates for BOARD and LODGING during the Winter Months, from November 1st to March 31st, have been reduced as follows:—  
One person, one month.....\$50.00  
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One person per day.....2.50  
Married couple per day.....3.50  
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Hongkong, 25th October, 1892. [1874]

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No. 18 &amp; 19, Queen Victoria Street.

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MEALS ALL HOURS, FIRST-CLASS BEDS.  
TERMS VERY MODERATE.

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Proprietor.

Hongkong, 19th December, 1892. [1264]

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THE COLONIAL HOTEL, No. 1, JUBILEE STREET, (west side of the New Central Market) is most centrally situated and has excellent accommodation for visitors.  
TIFINS and DINNERS provided at the shortest notice.  
A Spacious BAR with LIQUORS of the best quality, DRAUGHT BEER A SPECIALITY. CHANGES MOST REASONABLE.

Hongkong, 10th December, 1892. [1226]

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Hongkong, 23rd August, 1892. [1841]

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MR. OSBORNE begs to remind the Public that every possible arrangement has been made for the comfort and convenience of Visitors to this popular Summer Resort. "BAY VIEW" occupies the best situation on the Shau-ki-wan Road, commands an excellent view of the Harbour, and is always open to the cool breezes from the Southward. Steam-launches can at any time come alongside the jetty adjoining the spacious lawn.  
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Hongkong, 2nd May, 1892. [1486]

## THE BOA VISTA HOTEL.

BISHOP'S BAY, MACAO.

THIS HOTEL is situated on the sea shore in one of the best and healthiest parts of Macao, and commands an admirable view facing the South. Its accommodation is unsurpassed in the Far East.  
Every comfort is provided for Visitors, with an excellent Cuisine, and Wines, Spirits and Malt Liquors of the best brands.  
Hot, Cold, Shower and Sea Water Baths. Large and well ventilated Dining, Billiard and Reading Rooms, and a well supplied Bar.  
A small Dairy is attached to the premises.  
MRS. MARIA B. DOS REMEDIOS,  
Proprietress.

Hongkong, 1st September, 1892. [1870]

## THE SHAMEN HOTEL.

BRITISH CONCESSION, CANTON.

THIS FIRST CLASS HOTEL, admirably situated within a few minutes walk of the "River Steamer Wharves," is now open to receive Visitors.  
The Bed-rooms are cool, airy and comfortably furnished, and the spacious Dining, Sitting Rooms, and accommodation generally will be found equal to the best Hotels in the Far East.  
The Table D'Hôte is supplied with every luxury in season, and the cuisine is in experienced hands.  
Wines, Spirits, Malt Liquors, etc., of the best quality only.  
A WELL APPOINTED BILLIARD-ROOM.  
A. F. ROZARIO,  
Manager.

Hongkong, 1st September, 1892. [1870]

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A. M. O. Y.

THIS First-class FAMILY HOTEL is situated on the beach at KULANGSOO and has First-class Accommodation for Visitors. An EXCELLENT TABLE is kept, and WINES, SPIRITS, and MALT LIQUORS of the very best quality.  
Terms Moderate.

R. HELLWIG,  
Proprietor.

Amoy, 1st September, 1892. [1885]

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THE BED-ROOMS, with adjoining Bath-rooms, are lofty and well ventilated, open on to spacious Verandahs, are lighted by gas and fitted throughout with electric communications. The Reading, Writing and Smoking Rooms, Ladies' Drawing Rooms, the new Bar and public BILLIARD ROOMS (Six English and American Tables) are fitted with every convenience. A handsomely appointed GRILL ROOM, where chops, steaks, &c., are served at any hour, adjoins the HOTEL, and is under the same Management.  
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NIGHT PORTERS and WATCHMEN are continually on duty.

R. TUCKER  
Manager.

Hongkong, 12th February, 1892.

## CENTRAL HOTEL, SHANGHAI.

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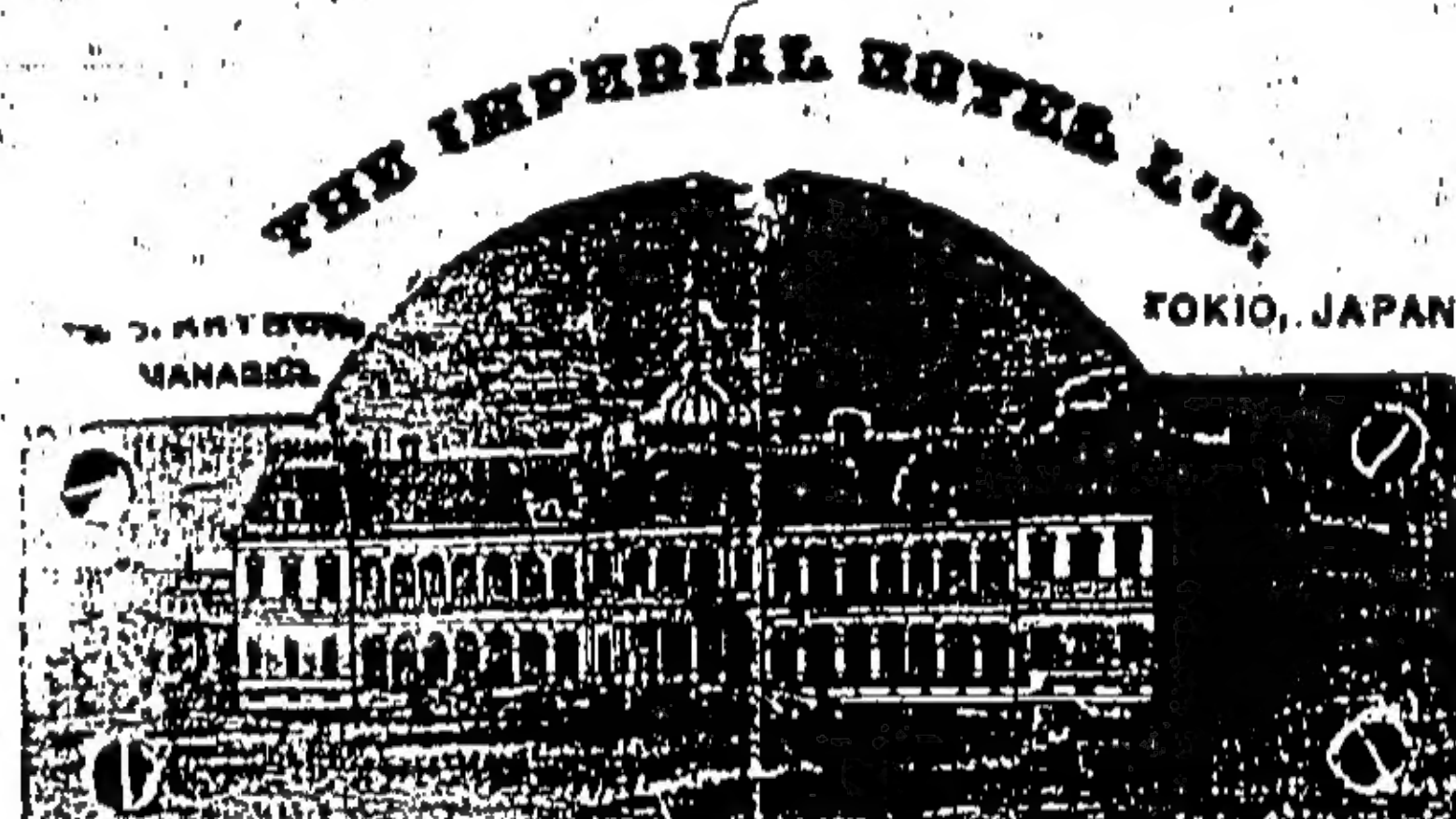
The Electric Lighting now partly laid on will be completed during this year, 1892.

An Assistant will attend on Passengers by Mail Steamers.

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TARIFF FROM DECEMBER 1ST, 1892, UNTIL APRIL 30TH, 1893, SUBJECT TO ACCOMMODATION BEING AVAILABLE.

Board and Lodging by the Day, one person.....\$ 3.00  
Board and Lodging by the Day for Married Couples occupying one room.....4.50  
Board and Lodging by the Month, one person.....60.00  
Board and Lodging by the Month for Married Couples occupying one room.....100.00

(CHILDREN BY SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT.)

Sitting-room by the Day.....\$ 2.50  
Sitting-room by the Month.....20.00  
Extra Bed-room by the Day.....2.00  
Extra Bed-room by the Month.....20.00  
Bed and Breakfast.....2.50  
Breakfast.....0.75  
Chinese Servants by the Day.....0.15

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Hongkong, 15th October, 1892. [1018]

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R. LYALL,  
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Hongkong, 8th December, 1892. [1215]

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Freight will be received on board until 4 P.M. the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages will be received at the Office until 5 P.M. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

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J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.  
Hongkong, 10th December, 1892. [1112]

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